ICE BLOCKS THE BAY AND RIVERS.

Ferry-Boats Stalled in Pack and All Traffic Suspended.

THE TEMPERATURE.

COLD WEATHER WILL CONTINUE.

tinued cold to-night and Thursday; high northwest winds and gales.

The strong northwest gale this afternoon broke up the ice pack in the bay and released the ferryboats. The ice was driven at a three-mile gait up the East River, elogging it from shore to shore.

Fast in the ice of bay and COLDEST DAY; rivers thousands of men and women suffered for hours the fate of arctic explorers.

There was peril as well as discomfort in their situation.

Without food or water the outlook for several hundred people on a ferry-boat in ice too thick to to Liberty. Ellis and Governor's Island side while the ferries are closed. Staten was a solid sheet of ice. navigate, yet not secure enough to walk on, was disquieting.

They were as effectually cut off from help as if they had been

came exhausted and the heat in ... 12 the cabins failed.

> Powerful tugs tried hard to help them, but in some cases it was four or five hours before the drifts could be penetrated and the piers gained.

> One man was blown out to sea on a scow during the early hours I of the morning. The cable which held the scow to the tug Hallenbeek parted when the boats were between Scotland Light and I Sandy Hook Lightship.

It may soon be possible to walk 1 from Manhattan to Brooklyn, as the weather forecaster announces that the northwest winds which have caused the ice jam in the East River-and bay will continue for several days.

The East River was frozen over completely in 1872, so that skating was possible. About fourteen years ago it was frozen enough for people to cross on the proper.

ICE BLOCKADE.

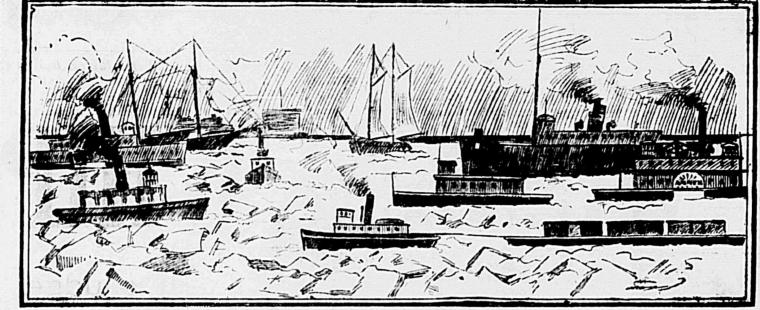
New York Harbor is nearer ice-locked than at any time within the memory of

the present generation. off Communipaw, stretching along the showed the only clear place in the bay. All else from the sea wall at the Battery An immense trucking industry will sub-

It had the rough, fantastic surface of length of time, may be seriously crip-an Arctic floe. Driven down North pled for provisions.

River and the Sound by the sixty-milean-hour gale, it encountered the incoming tide at the head of the bay and was packed solld and high,

Gradually the coal supply be- get to land by nightfall, the ice would was unable to get to their desks before



going craft, and New York Harbor was hours later. feebaund in an Arctic sea.

The paralysis of the shipping industry directly affects the business of the city

First, the thousands that cross to and rom South Brooklyn by ferries are forced to ride to the Bridge and fry to get to New York by the already congest-

ed Bridge service.

Again, the thousands that go to work n Jersey or come from there to daily avocations in New York will be forced to remain here while the North River is locked. This will congest the hotel and end of the city. Many lines of activity will be inter

rupted by the suspension of shipping and the curtallment of ferry transportation length of time, may be seriously crip-

Jersey coast line facing the bay will become as inaccessible to New York City as if they were in the remote Arctic

e firm enough to allow them to walk moon. The General Hancock, which take was jammed into her allo and her Down in the Narrows the ice piled and Battery for the benefit of the War De-her water supply on the trip and laid up gorged under the pressure of the wind, partment employees, started from the for the day. At noon it was impassable even to ocean Island at 6 o'clock and docked three

Traffic Suspended.

hall ferries. Three boats bearing pas half a dozen boats that left their slips in Brooklyn and Staten Island as early as 5 o'clock did not succeed in landing their frightened and frozer paesengers until after 9 o'clock.

The side-wheel boats West Brooklyn and South Brooklyn, which left the foot of Thirty-ninth street shortly after 5 'clock, got only 200 feet off shore when the ice closed in about them and held

Luck propos it nutti tuel got side by unison, but could not force a way

make the return trip were told that the boats would run no more to-day. got within a hundred feet of the Man-It looked as if, should they not The clerical force at Governor's Island eral big tugs were braced against her

The Bay Ridge a nowerful tug of the the Staten Island, Thirty-ninth is the first time the boat has been caught as her propelling works are unusually

> cruits for the Seventh Cavalry, who were to sail to-day from Brooklyn on the transport Sedgwick for the Philippines. The big Mallory line steamer Conch-

oft Quarantine at 8 o'clock this morning and got up the bay as far as Liberty island, where she stuck fast. Her pas land before they could reach the dock at the foot of Wall street.

Hardly fifty feet off the Battery was the big sea going revenue cutter Calu-met that intended to go down the bay but stuck fast when she was barely a

The Robert Garrett of the Staten Island line came over with a heavy pasenger list and was bemmed in for an hour three hundred feet off the shore.

-five to sixty minutes after they left

Advices from up the State indicate that the worst blizzard of recent years extends from Rochester to Utica and Lighthouse Service, plying between the Battery and Liberty Island, put off from the country is prevented by drifts of snow ten feet high, and traffic on all the After 9 o'clock traffic was suspended fast 500 feet off the New York shore. It railroads is delayed. Many villages are cut off from all communication with the Few trains from the West reached

New York on time this morning and ocal trains were usually delayed.

The Thirty-ninth street and Hamilton day. Signs on the gates announced "No Boats." The prospects of digging the craft out of the jam for these lines were not encouraging.

The following despatch was received to-day at the Local Weather Bureau from Washington, D. C.:

"Steamers sailing west from European ports to-day will encounter hard south to northwest gales over mid-orean. Steamers sailing east will have strong northwest winds and low temperatures.

northwest winds and low temperatures to the Grand Banks. "WILLIS L. MOORE."

SEARCHES SEA: MAN ADRIFT.

East River at Three-Mile Gait.

Gale Sends Massed Ice Up the

Morris & Cummings Dredging Company, to-day, and there forced to make affida vit of the circumstances of the accident. He said his and Olsen's scow had been Lightship he noticed that Olsen's scow was adrift, and he tried to signal the captain of the Hallenbeck. He was un-He added that a tug coming in saw Olsen's plight and tried to signal to the Hallenbeck's captain with repeated hists of the tug's whistle, but without

will turn up all right, as he had "plenty f water," and, they think, "some lunch"

scows of the Department of Street leaning, was on the way to Manhattan, off Ulmer Park, Tony Galanti, of 327 Mulberry street, was blown into the jumped overboard after him, and both went beneath the ice. On coming to the surface with the Italian Kelly was struck on the head with a life-preserved and knocked insensible. A boat from the tug rescued both, almost dead from cold. Kelly holds two gold medals from the Humane Society for saving three lives.

PASSENGERS ALL NEARLY FROZEN.

The ferry-boat Southfield, of the Staten Island line, which left St. George at 11.20 o'clock, did not reach her pier on this side until 12.20 o'clock. She managed to get around by steaming up through the ice until opposite Pier 1. Ratiroad assisted her to make a landof joy on landing. Several passengers said the cabins were like iceboxes.

Harry Wilson, a banjo player, man-aged to keep the others in good humor by playing his instrument, the men dancing around to the music, trying to keep warm. Philemen Latt. keep warm. Philemon Lott, who has ived in Tompkinsville for twelve years said this is the worst jam he ever saw

THREE HOUSES BLOWN DOWN.

The heavy wind prevailing at 1 o'clock his morning blew down three threestory frame houses being erected at Christopher street and Sutter avenue. East New York. The buildings were owned by Max Shapiro, of 67 Belmont avenue. The loss amounts to about

CHILDREN HURT IN BIG GALE.

Three little ohtdren, the daughters of Thomas Davis, of 253 Harrison street, were cut and bruised and terribly neighboring chimney blown over by the Winter gale this afternoon.

Back of the residence of Thomas Davis, at 253, is a conservatory, and here Anna, Catherine and Margaret Davis, nine, five and three years old, were

The debris crashed through the glass cof upon the children. Their mother, n another part of the house, was starded by their screams, and running to

A neighbor summened an ambulance from the Long Island College Hospital,

Dr. Cochran responding. He dressed the cuts and bruises, but finding no serious injuries left the little girls with their

BLIZZARD STOPS MAILS.

FARMER, N. Y., Feb. 13.-The storm which has raged here in the lake region for thirty hours is the worst blizzard of

Gales Sweep Virginia.

got within a hundred feet of the Manhattan shore at 3 o'clock. The tug harrican believes the passengers were landed.

Passengers from Jersey City and Horard big tugs were braced against her and with a big pull and a push

Southfield, which is one of the oldest boats on the line, managed to get along all right until opposite Castle William, when she struck a big floe and the concussion sent a shiver through the whole boat.

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BLUDGEON EVIDENCE FOR DR. KENNEDY.

Dr. Lederle Surprises All by Testifying Lead Pipe Is Not of Same Size.

LAWYER MOORE HOPES FOR ACQUITTAL

I am well pleased with the It will be an alibi and I expect to put on eight or nine witnesses for the case. Mrs. Slayton, who saw Kennedy on the boat, is dead. She died several months ago. If experts in handwriting are introduced we will combat their testimony with other experts. We are confident and hope for an acquital. ROBERT M. MOORE.

The trial of Dr. Samuel J. Kennedy for the murder of Dolly Reynolds took a sensational turn to-day when the law. Ernest Lederle, city chemist and witness for the prosecution, to admit that the lead pipe alleged to have been found in the cellar of Kennedy's home and that the girl was murdered were not of the down beside Capt. Price, same diameter.

was smashed. The testimony seemed; to have much effect on the jury. Ken- iron rod also, and Kennedy smiled, nedy and his wife were visibly elated. some equally effective evidence.

Damaging Testimony.

the dentist as the man they saw with Dolly Reynolds, the damaging \$13.00) check, the piece of paper on which Kennedy is said to have written the words of circumstantial evidence that have the strength of steel.
Throughout the trial the composure of

Dr. Kennedy has been admirable. It gives him credit for more strength of character than one would suspect from his effeminate makeup. In spite of the most damaging testimony and strongus identification he has never quivered. The presence of his wife has been comfort to him. She is convinced of his

innocence. And faith is a strong tonic bludgeon. It effectually disposed of that to the accused dentist. No one knows what mental torture she has undergone Mr. Moore said that the District-At orney's office had wired Melville, the ssing New Dorp plumber, that it

delense had given Melville permission cellar?" o go was false. Kennedy came into court early again dry and resumed his accustomed seat he end of the long counsel table. He hill usual nonchalant air. Mrs oly was fator than usual this

dentified photographs of checks drawn by Kennedy, the slip marked "E. Maxwell and wife" and the famous \$13,000

Kennedy arrived, and after greeting her husband affectionately explained that the high winds and the ice in the bay Dr. Lederle was shown the bludgeon. He measured it in Capt. McClusky's office at Police Headquarters. It was

fourteen inches long and six inches of

was covered with adhesive tire tape

o form a bandle. Dr. Lederle loosened the tire tape and removed it from the bludgeon. It was then passed to the jury, going from hand to hand. Dr. Kennedy gazed upon Then the chemist removed part of the

the centre. Detective Carey claims to cellar, which was on exhibit, and which the bludgeon.

Strong Point for Kennedy.

to have been in Kennedy's cellur the same atmosphere. was then exhibited. Dr. Lederle gave the measurements, and to the surprise of every one the lead pipe?" he asked. But against their evidence they have piece found in Dr. Kennedy's celthe damaging testimony of the Grand ins was not the same as that which Hotel employees, who positively identify made up the bludgeon. Mr. Moore brought out this fact strongly in cross-examination.

"Now, Doctor," said Mr. Moore, "take ed them to the doctor, E. Maxwell and wife" and other bits this piece of lead pipe alleged to have they are of the same diameter and thickness of wall."

> "Are they?" persisted Mr. Moore, "No, they are not," replied Lederle This was a very important point for prove by the piece of lead pipe found in

> Kennedy's cellar that it was part of the

The Iron Har.

Mr. Moore then took up the iron bar and had Dr. Lederle examine it. "Do you find any lustre on the end of the bar that was found in Dr. Kennedy's Moore said that the statement that the

> "Do you find any on that piece inlosed in the bludgeon?" "Yes. I do."

tions on the expert relative to the age, the conditions, the uniformity and general appearance of the two bars, and first witness of the day was Dr. the doctor admitted that there were

LAWYER M'INTYRE SURE OF OUTCOME.

strong chain of evidence against the part of the protecution. We have simply laid the testimony before the jury and they must decide on its merits.

sand pine singed to have been found in the cellar of Kennedy's home and that the cellar of Kennedy's home and that the cellar of Kennedy's home and that the came into court at this juncture and sat bludgeon. Mr. Moore proved himself an expert on fron

Defense Scores Heavilly.

The small piece of pipe alleged months and would be for

'Yes," answered Lederle

Mr. Moore then came back to the lead

been found in Dr. Kennedy's cellar, and pipe found, or alleged to have been take also the lead bludgeon, and say if found in Dr. Kennedy's cellar, has a smaller diameter and thicker walls than !

Expert Fencing.

vious trial.

hat on the bludgeon? 'Yos. It is true."

pleces of lead pipe were not the same, sinuation that the bar of iron and piece bore out the claim of Kennedy's counsel of lead found in Kennedy's cellar were that the lead pipe and iron bar must have been "planted" in Kennedy's cellar.

I am satisfied with the case

JOHN F MINTYRE.

Special District-Attorney

variations; there were irregularities; an

Mr. Moore swept this away in a mo

Then the two bars are practically ex-

pipe. He took the two pieces and hand-"Isn't it a fact that the small piece of .

most important of the trial. The chem

that has been made out, and to what the verdict of the jury will be. The evidence is just as

the rust marks on the Kennedy bar

Mr. McIntyre objected on the ground Counsel for the defense examined the that the bar of iron found in the blud-

phere will penetrate the interior of the

posed to the same atmosphere?

could have rusted from handling during Kennedy, as the prosecution expected to showed irregularities, and that the the notion of the prosecution's pet in-

pieces and part of the bludgeon. Dr.

it not be possible for the lastre on the iron to be caused by constant removal of the small plece from the end?"

"Yes, it might."

Mr. Cantwell endeavored to get Mr. Douglas to answer questions regarding the indorsement on the "Dolly" Reynolds check, but as the prosecution had not claimed that the indorsement was that Kennedy distinctly denied ever knowing "Dolly" Reynolds when content. "Do you believe that the piece of lead touches the end of that iron rod before it is entirely removed?" ment. "Do you believe that the piece of lead touches the end of that iron rod before it is entirely removed?"
"It is possible."
"Now," Mr. Moore continued. "could any amount of burnishing from that piece of lead cause that lustre?"
"No, it could not."
"No, it could not."

fronted with the \$13,000 check. He said the Garfield Nationa, Bank, was then called and identified some of the checks found in Dr. Kennedy's office. He was handed the Dolly Reynolds check and asked:
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We will not admit them at this time but they may be competent for anothe purpose."
Mr. Hennessey then showed the witness the Dolly Reynolds check and the piece of oaper on which was written "E. Maxwell and wife" and asked him if he could compare them with the signatures on the other checks and if the same person wrote all. Mr. Cantwell objected.
"Why don't you ask him if Kennedy

Cantwell objected.
"Why don't you ask him if Kennedy wrote these names, if you want to know?" asked Justice Fursman.

Mr. Hennessey consulted with Mr. McIntyre and refused to ask the question. He knew Mr. Douglas would answer in the negative. I exclude this transfer of the Justice sharply, eccss was then ordered, as Justice Fursman had to appear as a wit-William L. Douglas resumed the stand

for the purpose of cross-examination at the opening of the afternoon session, The "Dolly" Reynolds Check. Mr. Cantwell endeavored to get Mr

"I believe it is the handwriting of Dr. Kennedy," answered Mr. Weeks. The witness then started to state the peculiarities of Dr. Kennedy's handwriting, but Mr. Moore objected on the ground that as Mr. Weeks had identified the written body of the check from memory he should be required to testify as to the peculiarities from memory and not from comparison. The objection was overruled. The witness was then handed the slip bearing the name "E. Maxwell and wife."

Kennedy's Handwriting. Is that in the handwriting of the de-

fendant?"
"I believe it is."
Mr. Moore cross-examined. He handed
the witness the Dolly Reynolds check.
"Look at the indersement on the back
of that check and state in your opinion
if it is in the handwriting of Dr. Kennedy?"

"I do not think it is." was the answer, This was another point for the defense. Q. Now I ask you if you have compared specimens of Dr. Kennedy's handwriting? A. I have.: Q. Ilwok at the 8 in 1893 on the Dolly Reynolds check and compare it with the Kennedy's other check. Is there a Q. Ihok at the 8 in 1898 on the Dolly Reynolds check and compare it with Dr. Kennedy's other check. Is there a difference? A. Yes, Q. A decided difference.

The witness also testified that there was a slight difference in the figure 2 in the different checks. Mr. Moore pushed questions on the characteristics of the handwriting until Mr. Weeks became a bit rattled.

"I have only examined Dr. Kennedy's signature," he protested. "But you have sworn that you were familiar with his handwriting." Mr. Moore then picked out jetters in

Dentist's Lawyers Consider that Victory Is in Sight.

************************* MRS. KENNEDY PLACES HER HOPES ON JURY.

be dissipated by the sunlight of truth before the case goes to the and I am sure the jury will not regard them as such. I have faith that Mr. Melville will return and testify. He must realize that a life is at stake, and that his testimony is vital. Every one has been kind to me, and their sympathy has enabled me to stay by my husband's side and comfort him. I shall always believe he is innocent,

MARIAN EATON KENNEDY. the Dolly Reynolds check and the other MAY INDICT witness to admit that there was a dif

checks of Dr. Keiniary and the checks of the kennedy and the "y" in Kennedy and the "y" in Reynolds were decidedly different, the witness admitted.

Mr. Moore then asked the witness, solemnly and slowly. If he had ever seen the letters in the words "E. Maxwell and wife" in the genuine handwriting of the defendant. He had not, being only acquainted with Dr. Kennedy's signature.

"Then in spite of this you are willing to swear that 'E. Maxwell and wife is in the handwriting of Dr. Kennedy?"

No. I am not." "No, I am not."

This was in contradiction of his direct that their client is innocent of the mur-

testimony.

Altogether Mr. Weeks made an excellent witness for the defense under the skillful cross-examination of Mr.

Moore.

Sergt. John P. Smith, of the Staten Island police, was called. He is the man who, with Detection of the staten in the case. island police, was called. He is the man who, with Detective Carey, uncarthed the lead nipe and from bar in Kennedy's cellar on Aug. 23. He testified that he went to Kennedy's house field that he went to Kennedy's house

"Detective Carey picked up the iron bar and he also picked up the iron bar and he also picked up the plece of lead pipe out of a cigar box. I saw some new solder, a cold chisel, a vise and some other tools."

Witness identified a bicycle cap found on the second floor of the house.
Q. Do you know Daniel S. Melville?
A. Yes. sir.
Q. You saw him in his shop? A. Yes. He showed us a piece of lead pipe and explained to us that a pipe cut with a knife would be much smoother than if cut with a saw.

was then cross-examined by Mr.

no matter what the outcome of the trial may be.

MELVILLE.

Absent Kennedy Witness Blames Lawyers for the Accused. Daniel S. Melville, the Staten Island plumber upon whom the lawyers for Dr. Samuel J. Kennedy mainly rely to prove

the prosecution, says that Melville can be indicted and extradited. Mr. Mc-Intyre is especially anxious to get the intimated that the prosecution is responsible for his disappearance.

case went on to-day without Melville.

says Melville was angry when told of

A despatch from Jacksonville to-day

"I came down here on account of the poor health of my wife," Melville said. "Her doctor told me she must come South at once and I made arrangements some weeks ago. Kennedy's lawyers

Antwell.

Q. When did you go to Kennedy's nouse? A. On Aug. 17.

Q. Did you search of the 19th? A. Yo. sir.

Q. You searched again on the 21st? A. Yo. sar.

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Q. You searched again on the 21st? A. Yo. sir. Q. You searched again on the 21st? A. No. sir. Q. Did you find anything? A. No. sir. Q. Now, on Aug. 23 you again went to the house? A. Yos. sir. Q. Previous to going to the plumber's? testimony before I came away; his